



**Federal Aviation Administration
Office Of The Chief Counsel
Office Of Dispute Resolution For Acquisition (ODRA)**

Memorandum

**U.S. Department of
Transportation**

**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Subject: ACTION: Delegation of Authority

Date: March 10, 2004

From: The Administrator

**To: Associate Chief Counsel/Director, Office of Dispute Resolution for
Acquisition**

In order to render more efficient the FAA acquisition dispute resolution process, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §106(f)(2), 49 U.S.C. §§ 40101, *et seq.*, and 46101, *et seq.*, and 14 C.F.R. Part 17, I hereby delegate to the Associate Chief Counsel/Director, Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisition ("ODRA") authority to execute and issue on behalf of the Administrator, orders and final decisions for the FAA in all matters within the ODRA's jurisdiction, provided that such matters involve either: (1) a bid protest concerning an acquisition having a value or potential value of not more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00); or (2) a contract dispute involving a total amount to be adjudicated, exclusive of interest, legal fees or costs, of not more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00). The Associate Chief Counsel/ODRA Director

further is authorized to execute and issue orders and final decisions on behalf of the Administrator for any applications made pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act for matters within the ODRA's jurisdiction.

The foregoing authority may not be re-delegated.

This delegation supplements and expands the authority previously delegated on July 29, 1998 and supersedes the delegation issued to the Associate Chief Counsel/Director of the ODRA on March 27, 2000 . This delegation does not preclude the Associate Chief Counsel/Director of the ODRA from requesting, in any matter before the ODRA, that the order setting forth the final decision of the FAA be executed by the Administrator.

**_____/s/
MARION C. BLAKEY
ADMINISTRATOR**

Issued this 10th day of March, 2004